

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) (1) Survey for the alignment of a canal to divert portion of the flood waters of the Manali river to the Trichur lake has been completed. Estimate of the probable cost of the work is awaited.

(2) The bridge at Chirakkal is being constructed with a larger ventway.

(3) The bridge at 9/3 of the Karuppadana road is proposed to be reconstructed with a larger ventway in 1113.

(4) Investigations for improving the 'Regime' of the Karuvannur river from Arattupula temple to Inchamudi are being made.

(b) An extract of the Chief Engineer's report on the scheme is appended. (*Vide Appendix I.*)

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—In Appendix (1) it is said that, when an opening is made at the place suggested, water naturally gets into the fields and floods the country. To my recollection, there were two suggestions to open canals, one near the Arattupula temple and the other higher up, just a few furlongs below the junction of the two rivers, at Palakkadavu.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Both these places are similar.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—The river at the place higher up goes by the fields.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Both are similar in regard to that also.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Am I to understand that that scheme has been given up?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I did not recommend these two schemes.

The Kunnamkulam Nayadi Colony.

174. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to inquire and state:—

(a) how the Government contribution to the Nayadi Colony at Kunnamkulam for the last two years have been spent; (a detailed account of the various items of expenditure may be kindly called for).

(b) what was the amount of Government contribution each year?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) Detailed accounts of expenditure for the years 1100 and 1101 are appended (*Vide Appendix II.*)

(b) Government contribution for the years 1100 and 1101 was Rs. 1,300 and Rs. 950 respectively.